STATEMENT REGARDING ORDINANCE

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): Madam I lay on the Table a statement (in English and Hindi) explaining the circumstances which has necessitated immediate legislation by the National Commission for Backward Classes Ordinance, 1993. [Placed in Library *See* No. Lt. 3444/93]

THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR BACKWARD CLASSES BILL, 1993

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): Madam, on behalf of Shri Sitaram Kesri, I beg to move for leave to introduce a Bill to constitute a National Commission for Backward Classes other than the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: Madam, I introduce the Bill.

RE: PASSING OF AN ORDINANCE ON KASHMIR

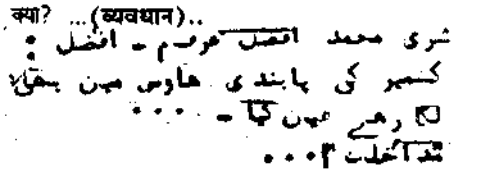
THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Now we have a technical difficulty about the Kashmir Ordinance. I think a decision or an agreement has been arrived at that we will pass it by voice vote, without any discussion. That was agreed because we have to send it today. It could not be done on Friday.

SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM (Andhra Pradesh): Madam...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: After we have done this, we will take up whatever issue is bothering you.

*Transliteration in Arabic Script.

श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मीम अफजल (उत्तर प्रदेश): कश्मीर की पाबंदी हाउस में भी लगा रहे हैं क्या? ...(व्यवधान)..

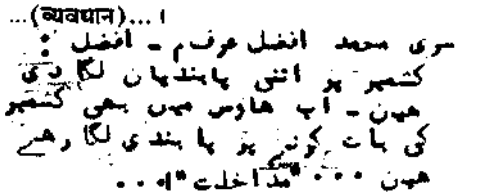


उपसभापति: मेरी बात सुन लीजिए।

Let me finish this business. Then I will permit you to speak. I have got your paper. Your paper is with me.

SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Who has agreed to pass this Kashmir Ordinance without discussion. We are not a party to this.

श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मीम अफजल: कश्मीर पर इतनी पाबंदियां लगा दी है, अब हाउस में भी कश्मीर की बात करने पर पाबंदी लगा रहे हैं। ...(व्यवधान)...।



There are several Members who do not agree to this.

There should be a discussion on Kashmir.

SHRI YASHWANT SINHA (Bihar): At least I am not aware of any such agreement. I think it is a matter which must be discussed before we agree to this. This is a very important matter.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Let me explain to you all... *(interruptions)....*

SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL *alias* MEEM AFZAL: There are a very few Members who are supposed to speak on this subject... *(interruptions)....*

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I will tell you what had happened. Then the House which is supreme, can take a decision. There was a meeting in the Chairman's chamber and because there is a technical problem, it should have